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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 in order to comply with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR. § 1.56.

The enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A lists nine (9) references of which Applicants are aware. The references, copies of which are enclosed, were cited in Search Reports prepared by the German and European Patent Offices in corresponding foreign applications. Copies of the Search Reports are enclosed.

Of the nine (9) references listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A, three (3) are not in the English language. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3)(i) and (ii), English

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language translations of the Abstracts of these non-English references are enclosed.

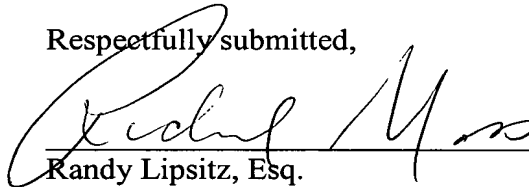
Additionally, for DE 199 59 556 related U.S. Patent No. 6,685,174 is also listed and enclosed.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed references be made of record in this application. Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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The above papers are being submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is believed due. Please charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

Respectfully submitted,

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